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Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
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	Hai C Pham	2861	

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

- (1) Hai C Pham. (3) _____.
 (2) Michael A. Makuch, Attorney. (4) _____.

Date of Interview: 19 November 2003.

Type: a) Telephonic b) Video Conference
 c) Personal [copy given to: 1) applicant 2) applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes e) No.
 If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 6.

Identification of prior art discussed: Arevalo (U.S. 6,104,986).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) was reached. g) was not reached. h) N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Applicant's Representative argues that the invention differs from the prior art as taught by Arevalo in that the application does neither disclose nor claim that there is further fine divided intervals being applied to the consecutive iterations in the determination of the optimum value as taught by Arevalo. Applicant's Representative further argues that there is no teaching from the Applicant's acknowledged prior art and Arevalo to search for the desired potential along the nonlinear curve for the laser intensity vs potential as in the invention and the linear method of Applicant's acknowledged prior art. The examiner indicates that the specification will be reevaluated with respect to the first argument as well as the combination of the prior arts. .

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